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COMPONENT

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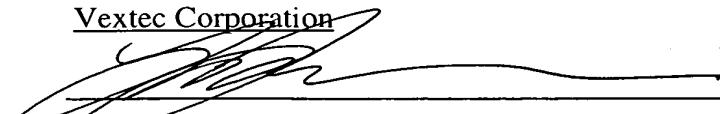
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AND ASSIGNMENT DOCUMENTS**

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Applicants enclose herewith the following documents for filing in connection with the above-referenced patent application:

- 1) Executed Power of Attorney by Assignee and Exclusion of Inventor(s) Under 37 C.F.R. 3.71;
- 2) Executed Assignment by Inventor Robert G. Tryon, III; and
- 3) Recordation Form Cover Sheet (in duplicate).

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